



NORTHPOINT EXPEDITIONARY LEARNING ACADEMY GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting held at Northpoint Expeditionary Learning Academy in Room 111.

November 1, 2016

Andrew Newton called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM

The following board members were present: Andrew Newton, Charles Matheus and Rosemary Dixon. Northpoint Director Charles Mentken and Northpoint Business Manager Sharon Felker were also present. Kim Belli was not present for this meeting.

A call to the public was made, with no public present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Approval of minutes for October 4th, 2016. Charles Matheus motioned for approval and this motion was seconded by Rosemary Dixon, minutes approved and accepted.

STUDY AND VOTING SESSION

- A. Update on future Northpoint Site: 2 weeks ago Charles met with Ironline Development to discuss our school. We found out that an offer was not actually made to purchase this site and that they hope to close in Jan on the other two. We have been talking with them about this investment what the benefits for them/us would be. Northpoint would want full access, with the option to lease to other tenants and for expansion if we would like. They will get back with us within 30 days or so.
We also have been in communications with La Tierra. They are open for a possible merge which would bring us into the possibility of a K-12 EL School. They have approx. 105 students but no room for growth within their current site. We continue to communicate and keep looking for options and possibilities for our school/campus and the possibilities for growth.
- B. Grade Level Change to Charter (7th & 8th Grade): Thursday there will be a staff meeting to discuss the middle school. How can we make this work? One Director, One Registrar, One SPED Director and then two instructors for each grade. We would then need to look at what all will be offered to these grades, such as wilderness, fieldwork, fees, etc. A middle school would need to be 5 days a week and we would need our plans submitted by Dec 14th for the Board meeting in Feb. We will wait to hear what our Instructors and staff think about all of this.

REVIEW FINANCIALS

Not reported for this month.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

- A. Enrollment Update: We have lost some and hope that we will be able to add some next semester. Current count is 177.
- B. Fieldwork Update: Our Juniors went to Las Vegas and this went very well. Sophomores went to PHX and all was very positive and well with this group. Freshman and Seniors stayed local with some service work and working together on poverty, overall seemed like a very productive and positive fieldwork.

ADJOURNMENT

Andrew Newton adjourned the meeting at 5:45

FUTURE MEETING DATES:

- December 6th, 2016 – 5:00 PM Board Meeting – NELA Campus Rm #111
- January 3rd, 2016 – CHANGED to Jan 10th, 2016 – 5:00 PM Board Meeting – NELA Campus, Rm #111